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BEL Projects
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bharat Electronics Limited is planning to establish a defence systems integration complex in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether as a part of 'Make in India' programme some defence projects in collaboration with Small and Medium Enterprises are also being taken up and if so, the details thereof, project-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(a) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) intends to set up a state-of-the-art Missile Systems Integration Complex in Andhra Pradesh (AP). Foundation stone for the 900 acres complex at Palasamudram in Anantapur district was laid on 30th September, 2015.
This new Missile Systems Integration Complex will further strengthen the Defence capabilities in the country and enable manufacturing, integration and testing of ongoing and upcoming projects in the area of Surface-to-Air Missile systems.

(b) BEL has taken various initiatives to enhance procurement from MSMEs (Micro Small and Medium Enterprises) toward achieving the goals of 'Make in India' policy. BEL has also identified MSMEs (Technology partners) and will be working with them in collaborative R&D mode based on their capabilities and BEL's requirements in future. BEL's unit at Machilipatnam, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh has been sourcing items required for the manufacture of Electro-optic products from MSMEs of AP state. Further, some of the components, sub-systems, mechanical parts required for setting up of the Missile Integration Complex at Palasamudram, Anantapur will be sourced from private vendors / SMEs of Andhra Pradesh.
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